

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2005, claims 1, 2 and 6-10 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Reexamination and reconsideration of the claims as requested is respectfully requested.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 1, 2 and 6-10 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph.

Applicant notes that the drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.84(p)(5) because they do not include reference signs mentioned in the description: 202 A. Applicant encloses replacement sheet 2/3 for Figs 2 and 3. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw the objection to the drawings as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5).

In paragraph 2 on page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 17, 2002 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) because it does not include a concise explanation of the relevance. Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the Concise Statement of Relevance that was included with the RCE filed on February 1, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw the objection to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on 12/17/2002.

In paragraph 3 on page 3 of the Office Action, claim 1 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The

Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection, but has amended the application to overcome the objections in accordance with the Examiner's suggested claim amendment in the instant Office Action.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and reasons provided above, it is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. The amendments clarify the patentable invention without adding new subject matter. Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims.


If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's attorney of record, Jeffrey R. Stone at 952 253-4130.

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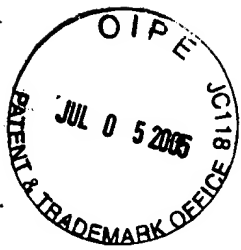


FIG 2

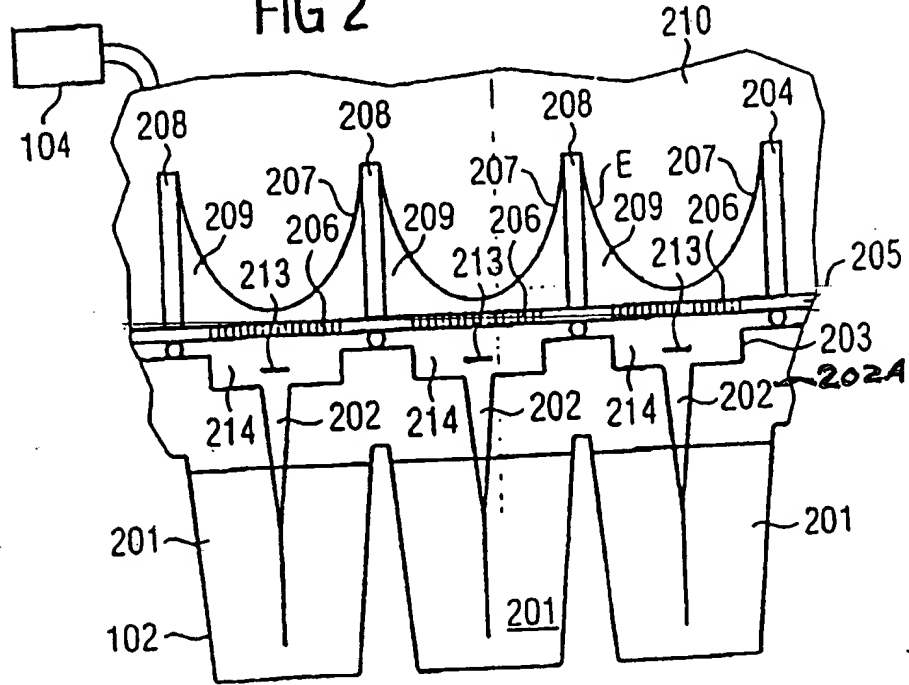


FIG 3

